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Subject: Thank you! (and hedge study)

Dear Lisa and Region 2 Team,

I wanted to thank you all for joining us in a really rich and helpful conversation about the congestion pricing program last Friday. Your reactions to our draft comments are pivotal to ensuring we have the strongest comments possible. I look forward to sharing our final comments with you all and continuing to work together to achieve significant pollution reductions in EJ communities.

Secondly, I am sending along the study out of the Global Centre for Clean Air Research that found planting hedges and trees along roadways leads to hugely significant pollution reductions. Black carbon was reduced a max of 63% post-intervention! What's interesting is that they found hedges had a greater pollution reduction impact than trees. As a result, we are recommending both hedges and trees to be planted. Hedges for the pollution reduction and trees for shade.

Find the article here:

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S1352231018308938?via%3Dihub

Best, Sonal

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